

law, that the bill be laid upon the table, to be considered with the bill. 4. A petition from one Waiala, claiming that he had been assessed too much. The committee find that petitioner should have sought his remedy before the Tax Appeal Board, and having neglected to do so, recommend the petition be laid upon the table. 5. A petition from Rev. W. P. Nahale, praying that \$12 in gold be paid him for taxes paid twice. The committee find that he has paid his taxes twice, and recommend that an item of \$12 be inserted in the Appropriation Bill.

Representative Dickey from the same committee presented a minority report signed by himself, relative to the proposed disposition of the petition from Kaunapali, as follows:

"The minority of your Finance Committee cannot agree with the majority in their report on the petition from the district of Kaunapali, praying that the Indemnity bill be indefinitely postponed and the Ministers ordered to refund the money to the Treasury."

"Upon a careful examination of the bill referred to, we find that all the payments were made in direct contravention of article 15 of the Constitution, which reads:

"No subsidy duty or tax of any description shall be established or levied without the consent of the Legislature: nor shall any money be drawn from the Treasury without such consent [of the Legislature] except when between the emergencies of war, invasion, rebellion, pestilence or other public disaster shall arise, and then not without the concurrence of all the Cabinet and of a majority of the whole Privy Council; and the Minister of Finance shall render a detailed account of such expenditure to the Legislative Assembly."

"There has been no war, invasion, rebellion, pestilence or other public disaster during the last period. The Privy Council has not authorized the expenditure of any of this money. The Minister of Finance has not rendered a detailed account of such expenditure to the Legislative Assembly. The law has therefore been broken in every particular, and we recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted."

On motion both reports were laid on the table for future consideration.

Representative Castle from a select committee presented the following report signed by himself, Hon. C. R. Bishop and Reps. Kaunapali and Kaai, viz:

"The select committee, to which was referred: 1. A petition presented by Hon. D. H. Nahien from South Kona, Hawaii, praying that a new school house may be constructed at Alae. 2. A petition presented by Hon. S. W. Kaai from Kaupo, Maui, praying that an English school be established at that place, and 3. a resolution introduced by Hon. A. P. Faelele that items of \$1,000 each be inserted in the Appropriation bill for the construction of school houses at Kalaheha and Halawa, Molokai, respectfully report as follows: While they regard it as perfectly proper for petitions of this character to be addressed to the Legislative Assembly, yet it would hardly be proper or consistent for the Assembly to make recommendations to the Bureau of Education, unless indeed such dissatisfaction existed with said Bureau as to induce the Legislature to enact laws compelling certain lines of action, and such dissatisfaction does not now exist. With regard to the prayers of said petitions your committee find on examination that the school house in Alae is in need of repairs and that they should be made as soon as possible. With respect to an English school in Kaupo, there are already three good Hawaiian schools at that place, while there are but sixty children of school age, more or less. The expense and outlay necessary to establish and maintain an English school also would hardly be justifiable. If, however, the three Hawaiian schools were discontinued, material enough would exist for an English school. But as it would involve the construction of a new school house and the employment of an English teacher, the consideration of the Board of Education to this matter is recommended."

"Also, school houses at both Kalaheha and Halawa on Molokai, would be of benefit to those districts, for the buildings now there are small and inconvenient and hardly suited to the requirements of those places. The matter of new school buildings and repairs has however been more fully treated by the committee in another report, and they therefore recommend that the said petitions and resolutions be laid upon the table, and that a copy of this report be transmitted by the clerk of the Assembly to the Board of Education." Adopted.

Representative Brown presented the following question to the Minister of Finance, "I hereby ask that His Excellency the Minister of Finance furnish this House in writing with the names of all Tax Collectors appointed during the last biennial period, who were in default or who failed to pay over all taxes collected by them within the time limited by law, with the names of such defaulting Tax Collectors, bondsmen and the amount of money made good by such bondsmen and if any Tax Collector is still in default, the amount still unpaid and due to the Government."

The Minister of Interior read for the first time a bill to remit customs duties on various articles, productions of the South Sea Islands. Read second time and referred to special committee on Tariff.

Representative Kalua offered a resolution that a copy of a survey of land for which a Royal Patent was granted to one Kunkua on the recommendation of the Judiciary Committee be sent to the Minister of the Interior so that a Royal Patent issue. Approved.

Representative Kaunamano offered a resolution that the Secretary be instructed furnish the special committee on Roads and Bridges with all petitions and resolutions on his table relating to the subject, before the House adjourned for the day. Approved.

Representative Thurston, under suspension of the rules, presented a petition from eight residents of Kipahulu, Maui, praying for the payment to them of \$6.55 each for road work performed by them. Referred to the Minister of Interior.

Representative Kaunamano offered a resolution that the sum of \$500 be appropriated for a bridge over the stream at Waiaku, S. Kona, Hawaii. Tabled, to be considered with the Appropriation Bill.

Minister of Interior (and President of Board of Education) asked for and received absence notice 2 p.m. for the purposes of being present at the Exhibition exercises at the Fort street school.

The desire for a cessation of labor was made manifest now by a motion to adjourn which being carried the Assembly rose, at 11:25 to meet again at 2 p.m.

AFTERNOON.

It was twenty minutes after the time set before a quorum was present to enable the transaction of business. On ressembling, at 2:20, Representative Dickey asked for and was granted leave of absence for one week.

On motion the bills on the Order of the Day were considered.

Third reading of a bill to amend section 517 Civil Code relating to duties on spirituous liquors. Bill read and passed, as follows:

As Act to amend Section 517, Article XV of the Civil Code.

SECTION 1. That clause 1 of Section 517 of the Civil Code be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 1. On alcohol and other spirits of the strength of alcohol, ten dollars per gallon; on brandy, gin, rum, whiskey, and all other spirits or strong waters of whatever name or description; and on all liquors, cordials, bitters, brandied fruits, perfumery and other articles of merchandise sweetened or mixed containing alcohol or spirits of the strength of thirty per cent. or upwards and not exceeding fifty-five per cent. three dollars per gallon; and all above fifty-five per cent. pro rata."

SECTION 2. The provisions of this Act shall apply to all goods in bond at the time it shall come into operation.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect and become law from and after the date of its passage.

Third reading of an Act amendatory of section 2, of chapter 28, of the Session Laws of 1878, relating to import duties upon wines.

Representative Hayselden moved the bill be referred to the Tariff committee, giving as a reason that cigars are included at the same duty as before and it is the intention of the Tariff committee to raise the duty. Bill referred.

Third reading of a bill to provide for the payment of salaries and other expenses of the Government until the passage of the Appropriation bill. Passed.

On motion consideration of further provisions in the new Tax Bill was now taken up and the Assembly resolved into committee of the Whole, Representative Kaunamano in the chair.

Representative Hayselden moved that section 2 pass.

Representative Dickey moved that the words "credits, dues" be struck out. His amendment was supported by Reps. Brown, Thurston and Dole.

not prepared to say anything on the subject. He preferred to sit still and listen.

The motion to strike out the words "credits, dues," was now put and carried, after the section was passed as thus amended.

The next section was read by the Secretary, as follows:

SECTION 3. That Section 17 of said Act be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SECTION 17. All fire, marine and life insurance companies carrying on business in this Kingdom shall pay for and in respect of every one hundred dollars received by such companies, or their agents, respectively, for premiums during the year preceding the assessment, the sum of two dollars; and such companies shall not be charged with any other taxes or duties under this Act."

Representative Castle moved the insertion of the word "Foreign" in the first line of the proposed change, which being carried, the section was then passed as thus amended.

At 4:30 the committee, on motion, rose and reconvened in Assembly. Rep. Kaunamano reported back the progress made and asked leave for the committee to sit again on Saturday the 24th inst. Report approved and request granted.

Representative Castle moved that the business on the Secretary's table be now considered but, before the motion was seconded Rep. Kaunamano moved adjournment until the next morning, at the usual hour.

The motion to adjourn was carried with the usual celerity and at 4:37 the Assembly rose, to meet again on the next day.

(For conclusion see 8th page.)

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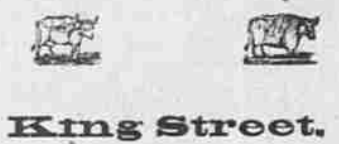
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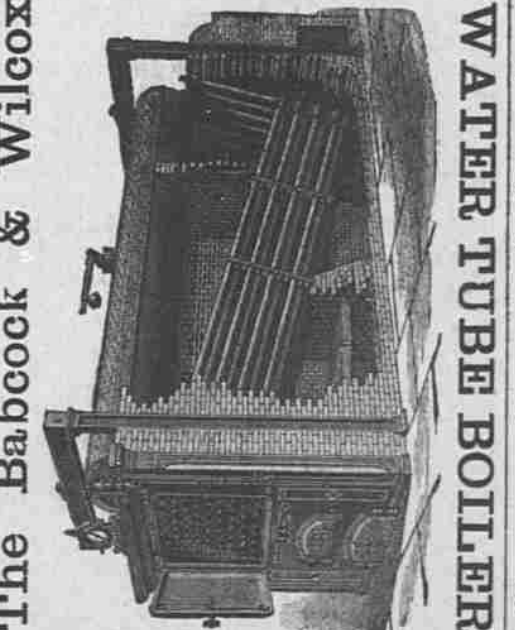
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